

PROCEEDINGS

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OF THE 1-4.

GRAND LODGE

OF

CONNECTICUT,

HOLDEN AT THE CITY OF HARTFORD,

ON WEDNESDAY THE 18th DAY OF MAY,

ANNO LUCIS, FIVE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED

AND NINETY-SIX,—A. D. 1796.

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1796.

AT a half yearly communication of the
GRAND LODGE of the ancient and honorable
 Society of Free and Accepted MASONs, for the
 State of Conecticut, holden at the Lodge-Room,
 in the City of Hartford, on the 18th day of May,
 A. D. 1796,—and of Mafonry, 5796.

Present—R. W. Samuel Wyllys, D. G. M.
 W. Eliphalet Bulkley, G. S. W. *pro. tem.*
 W. Ephraim Root, G. J. W.—*P. T.*
 Ebenezer Huntington, G. T.—*P. T.*
 John Mix, G. S.
 Samuel Bellamy, G. S. D.
 David Daggett, G. J. D.

Seth Overton, proxy, M.	}	<i>St. John's, Middletown.</i>
Thomas Leveritt, s. w.		
Samuel Canfield, J. W.	}	<i>St. John's, Hartford.</i>
Ephraim Root, M.		
Timothy Burr, s. w.		
Elkanah Mead, s. w. and proxy, M.		<i>Union, Greenwich.</i>
Taylor Sherman, proxy, M.		<i>St. John's, Norwalk.</i>
David Talman, proxy, M.		<i>King Solomon's, Woodbury.</i>
Ashbel Baldwin, proxy, M.		<i>St. John's, Stratford.</i>
John Allyn, M.	}	<i>St. Paul's, Litchfield.</i>
Aaron Smith, proxy, J. W.		
Daniel Holbrook, proxy, M.		<i>& s. w. King Hiram, Derby.</i>
Adonijah Strong, proxy, M.	}	<i>Montgomery, Salisbury.</i>
Jonathan Burrall, do. s. w.		
Coral Case, proxy, M.	}	<i>Frederick, Farmington.</i>
Solomon Cowles, s. w.		



Samuel Woodruff, M. } *Compass*, Wallingford.
 Samuel Hall, proxy, s.w. }
 Lemuel Grosvenor, proxy, M. } *Moriah*, Windham.
 Seldon Spencer, proxy, M. } *Temple*, Cheshire.
 Noah Hotchkiss, s. w. }
 Aner Bradley, proxy, M. } *Federal*, Watertown.
 Eleazer Judd, do. s. w. }
 David Baldwin, proxy, M. } *Hiram*, Newtown.
 Henery Curtiss, s. w. } *Washington*, Huntington.
 Stephen Cole, M. } , Berlin.
 Philo Ruggles, proxy, s. w. } *St. Peter's*, New-Milford.
 Roger Peck, proxy, M. } *Hart's*, Woodbridge.
 Luther Spalding, M. } *St. James's*, Preston.
 Samuel Whittlesey, M. } *Uriel*, Tolland.
 Jonathan O. Moseley, M. } *Columbia*, East-Haddam.
 Daniel N. Brinsmade, s. w. } *Rising Sun*, Washington.
 David Whittlesey, proxy, J. w. }
 Reuben Champion, M. } *Morn. Star*, E. Windsor.
 Wait Goodrich, proxy, s.w. }
 Giles Loomis, J. w. }
 Reuben Humphrey, M. } *Village*, West-Simsbury.
 George Humphrey, s. w. }
 Azariah Wilcox, proxy, J. w. }
 Elias Perkins, M. and proxy, J. w. } *Union*, New-London.
 Daniel Hill, proxy, s.w. } *Meridian Sun*, Warren.
 Elizur Andrews, proxy, M. } *Friendship*, Southington.
 Asa Spalding, M. }
 Ebenezer Huntington, s. w. } *Somersett*, Norwich.
 Samuel Huntington, proxy, J. w. }
 Samuel Bellamy, M. } *Day Spring*, Hamden.
 John T. Peters, proxy, s. w. } *Wooster*, Colchester.
 David Daggett, M. } *Hiram*, New-Haven.

Thirty-two Lodges represented.

IN DUE FORM,

The Lodge was opened in the third Degree of Masonry, and proceeded to the choice of Grand Officers for the year ensuing;—the ballots being taken, the Brethren hereafter named were elected to the several Offices as affixed to their names respectively:—viz.

Mott Worshipful WILLIAM JUDD, G. M.

R. W. SAMUEL WYLLYS, D. G. M.

W. EPHRAIM KIRBY, G. S. W.

W. ELIPHALET BULKLEY, G. J. W.

HENERY CHAMPION, G. T.

JOHN MIX, G. S.

SAMUEL BELLAMY, G. S. D.

DAVID DAGGET, G. J. D.

The Officers present, were severally congratulated upon their respective appointments, by the R. W. Deputy Grand Master, agreeably to ancient usages.

The Lodge resumed the consideration of the petition presented in October last, by the Brethren residing in Harwinton, &c.—The Committee then appointed to examine the Master elect, reported, that they had performed the service, and found him to be well qualified.—Whereupon, *Resolved*—That a Charter of dispensation be granted to the petitioners forming them into a Regular Lodge, to be holden in the town of Harwinton aforesaid; and that our Worshipful Brother Christopher Johnson, be first Master,—also, the other Officers named in the petition, be confirmed in their respective offices.—The Lodge to be named

Aurora.

A petition was presented from several Brethren residing in the Town of Granby and its vicinity, praying for the establishment of a Lodge in said Granby, in the Society of Turkey-Hills, by the title of *St. Mark's*,—Whereupon,

Resolved—That a Charter be issued accordingly—and that our Worshipful Brother Andrew Hillyar, be first Master, and the other Officers confirmed in their respective appointments agreeably to the prayer of said petition.

On the petition of sundry Brethren residing in the towns of Canaan, Norfolk, Colebrook and Winchester, to erect a Lodge in said Norfolk,—*Resolved*—That the prayer be granted—and that a Commission be issued under the designation of the *Western Star*; our Worshipful Brother Giles Pettibone Jun. to be first Master, and the other Officers as named in said petition.

A communication from the Grand Lodge in Massachusetts was presented and read :—sundry remarks having been made thereon, the farther consideration whereof was postponed until the next Grand Lodge.

A petition and statement of sundry matters of grievance and complaint from Br. Angus Nichelson of New-Milford, against Br. Nicholas S. Masters, and Br. David Beers, of said New Milford, was presented and read.—Whereupon, *Resolved*—as the opinion of this Grand Lodge, that recourse ought to be first had to the Lodge or Lodges to which the parties respectively belong, before application can be regularly made to the Grand Lodge.

Resolved—That in future, no entered apprentice shall be passed to the degree of fellow-craft, or fellow-craft raised to the sublime degree of master Mason, in a different Lodge from that wherein he was initiated, or within whose limits he actually resides, without a concurrence of the Lodge in which he was so initiated first had and obtained, which concurrence shall be signified by ballot, in the same way as for the admission of a candidate.

Resolved—That the Masters of the several Lodges acknowledging the jurisdiction of this Grand Lodge, be direct-

ed personally to attend the Officers of the Grand Lodge, at their Lodge-Room in the City of New-Haven, on the day after the communication in October next, at ten o'clock forenoon, on business of importance.

Resolved—That the Grand Secretary be directed to annex numbers to the several Lodges, holding jurisdiction under this Grand Lodge, agreeably to the dates of their respective Charters, and transmit them with the proceedings of this Grand Lodge.

A True Copy from the Minutes.

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List of Lodges in the State of Connecticut, with the numbers to them respectively belonging, agreeably to the dates of their Charters.

No.	No.
1 Hiram, <i>New-Haven.</i>	20 , <i>Berlin.</i>
2 St. John's, <i>Middletown.</i>	21 St. Peter's, <i>N. Milford.</i>
3 St. John's, <i>Fairfield.</i>	22 Hart's, <i>Woodbridge.</i>
4 St. John's, <i>Hartford.</i>	23 St. James's, <i>Preston.</i>
5 Union, <i>Greenwich.</i>	24 Uriel, <i>Tolland.</i>
6 St. John's, <i>Norwalk.</i>	25 Columbia, <i>Stepney.</i>
7 K. Solomon's, <i>Woodbury.</i>	26 Columbia, <i>F. Haddam.</i>
8 St. John's, <i>Stratford.</i>	27 Rising Sun, <i>Washington.</i>
9 Compass, <i>Wallingford.</i>	28 Morn. Star, <i>E. Windsor.</i>
10 Woolter, <i>Colchester.</i>	29 Village, <i>West Simsbury.</i>
11 St. Paul's, <i>Litchfield.</i>	30 Day Spring, <i>Hamden.</i>
12 King Hiram, <i>Derby.</i>	31 Union, <i>New-London.</i>
13 Montgomery, <i>Salisbury.</i>	32 Meridian Sun, <i>Warren.</i>
14 Frederick, <i>Farmington.</i>	33 Friendship, <i>Southington.</i>
15 Moriah, <i>Wind. County.</i>	34 Somersett, <i>Norwich.</i>
16 Temple, <i>Cheshire.</i>	35 Aurora, <i>Harwinton.</i>
17 Federal, <i>Watertown.</i>	36 St. Mark's, <i>Turkey-hills.</i>
18 Hiram, <i>Newtown.</i>	37 Western Star, <i>Norfolk.</i>
19 Wathington, <i>Huntington.</i>	

In addition to the foregoing, there is a Lodge in Danbury, formed before the Grand Lodge was constituted, that have neither applied for, nor received a Charter under this jurisdiction.

*List of expulsions and rejections as returned to the Grand
Lodge, in May, A. L. 5796.*

EXPULSIONS.

Philo Murray, }
Nathaniel Mitchel, } From *King Solomon's*—Woodbury.

REJECTIONS.

Dyar Manning, }
Samuel Bailey, }
Henry V. Champion, } *Somerfett*—Norwich.
Azor Gale, }

